

HARVEST LABOR CRISIS IS EASED

Fisherman Drowns In Big Lake

Two Others Survive As Boat Capsizes

A Lansing, Ill., youth drowned early today in Lake Michigan near Rosemary beach, Bridgman, while trying to reach shore after he and two companions had clung to their capsized boat for about two hours. The companions reached shore safely.

Berrien county sheriff's deputies and the U.S. Coast Guard identified the dead youth as Gene Wold, 19.

The survivors were Carl Kohut, 20, also of Lansing, Ill., and Richard Diebel, 20, of Chicago Heights, Ill.

FAR FROM ROAD

The wreckage of the 16-foot outboard motorboat and the survivors were found in the remote beach area a half-mile from the nearest usable roadway.

A Coast Guard boat brought the body of the youth to the Coast Guard station in St. Joseph while sheriff's deputies drove the survivors back.

Kohut and Diebel said the boat capsized about 3 a.m. when swamped with water. They said they had been adrift since about 8:30 a.m. Sunday two hours after they left Michigan City for a fishing excursion.

The Coast Guard said small



TWO SURVIVORS: Two men who survived when their boat overturned in Lake Michigan early today after being adrift since Sunday morning receive coffee at the U.S. Coast Guard station in St. Joseph. They are Carl Kohut, 20, of Lansing, Ill., left, and Richard Diebel, 20, of Chicago Heights, Ill. A companion, Gene Wold, 19, also of Lansing, Ill., drowned trying to swim to shore. The survivors hung onto the overturned craft until they could walk to the shore. (Staff photo)

craft warnings had been up throughout the night and early morning. The winds, they said, were reaching 25-35 miles an hour from the northeast.

According to the survivors the motor stalled out and they could

not get it re-started. They said they could attract no one's attention throughout the day.

After the boat capsized, the two said they and Wold hung onto the craft as it drifted in toward shore. They said they

reached a sandbar where they could stand in neck-deep water and stopped.

Wold, said the two, decided to try and swim to shore from there. He was wearing a life preserver, they said.

Kohut and Diebel said they told Wold to wait. But they said he left anyway.

Kohut and Diebel hung on to the boat as it again drifted toward shore and then walked to the beach after they could touch bottom.

FIND BODY

After resting behind a sand dune, the two survivors said they began walking toward some cabins. They said they found Wold's body on the way.

The two reached the cabin of Mrs. Ward Halstead about 8:30 a.m., an hour and a half after reaching the beach. Mrs. Halstead provided the two with food and clothing after telephoning the sheriff's department.

Sheriff's Lt. William Beilman, head of the marine division, and Deputy Al Weaver, took a small boat from the Coast Guard craft to reach the point where the body was located.

Will Hear Draft Issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court agreed today to consider claims that the accelerated draft of Vietnam war protesters is in violation of the Constitution.

North Ireland Leader Quits

BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND (AP) — Prime Minister Terence O'Neill resigned today, the government information office announced. He had been in office for seven years.

Will Allow Bending Of Rules

Can Delay Installation Of Showers

BY JERRY KRIEGER
County-Farm editor

A U.S. Labor department official from Chicago promised area farm leaders that "deviations" will be granted from strict new federal requirements for migrant labor camps, in an effort to avoid a major harvest labor shortage this season.

Joseph C. Kasper, Chicago regional director, farm labor and rural manpower service, said a special representative of his office will be sent to southwestern Michigan Tuesday, empowered to grant deviations "for good and sufficient reasons". The representative will stay as long as necessary.

CITES FROST DAMAGE
Kasper told the small group the need for flexibility in applying the new migrant camp requirements was particularly apparent in southwestern Michigan, which has been hard hit by frost damage the last two years.

Kasper attended a meeting arranged at the farm labor office at Scottsdale by Berrien County District 16 Supervisor Kenneth Wendzel of Bainbridge township. Also present was State Senator Charles Zollar of Benton Harbor.

Wendzel said he felt the solution proposed by Kasper "is something we can live with" and should help growers avoid a devastating shortage of harvest help this season.

Six Berrien and Van Buren county growers attended to illustrate the difficulties they have encountered in trying to bring camps up to the new federal standards.

The standards, announced this past winter, must be met before growers can use the interstate labor recruiting services of the state farm labor offices in the area.

The Michigan Department of Health, which has adopted the same standards is allowing growers a three-year phase-in period to bring camps into full compliance. The U.S. Labor department until now has declined virtually all requests for any grace period to meet the camp standards.

Installation of hot and cold showers is one of the major points of difficulty, according to Wendzel, who has helped, along with Senator Zollar, to lead the battle for relief from immediate compliance.

Kasper said his special representative will be stationed at the Scottsdale farm labor office, and will be empowered to grant deviations on the spot, upon formal request.

"If there are good and sufficient extenuating reasons that a farmer cannot install showers, or meet other requirements, he may request a variance. It may be approved for this year even if he doesn't meet standards."

Kasper added that if a grower pleads financial inability to make all the camp improvements he must submit evidence to substantiate his claim. Such evidence will be kept confidential.

Kasper's trip here came after

Le Grande Charles Keeps His Promise



CHARLES DE GAULLE
Not Enough Votes

Quits After Defeat At Polls

Will He Return As Candidate For President?

PARIS (AP) — Charles de Gaulle stepped out of the French presidency today and retired once more to his home in eastern France, ending more than 18 turbulent years of power that profoundly altered the nation's political outlook, economy and foreign policy.

De Gaulle's resignation became effective at noon. Senate President Alain Poher succeeded him as interim president, to serve until presidential elections are held. There was no ceremony of transfer, and De Gaulle was in seclusion at his home in Colombey-les-Deux-Eglises.

OVER MINOR ISSUE

France's 78-year-old leader had turned a referendum Sunday on comparatively minor constitutional changes into a vote of confidence, gambling that his threat to resign would once more swing the electorate behind him. When the voters rejected his proposals, he announced his retirement in two brief sentences:

"I am ceasing the exercise of my functions as president of the republic. This decision takes effect at noon today."

Premier Maurice Couve de Murville called his Cabinet in to session this morning, but the ranks were thinning. Justice Minister Rene Capitant resigned, saying he could not collaborate with Poher because the latter had fought De Gaulle's referendum proposals. Culture Minister Andre Malraux, one of those closest to De Gaulle, said he would also resign.

Poher must organize a presidential election within 20 to 35 days. He has been mentioned as a candidate, but former Premier George Pompidou is considered the favorite.

Nothing forced De Gaulle to quit the job he had held since Jan. 1, 1959, except one of the general's famous ultimatums. Although his term of office did not expire until 1972, he had said he would resign immediately if the French voters did not approve his government reform plan for administrative decentralization and removal of the Senate's few remaining powers.

NO SURPRISE

The results of Sunday's referendum were 11,966,550 votes or 52.87 per cent opposed, 0,669,550 of 47.13 per cent in favor. The outcome was no great surprise. Several public opinion polls published last week showed the trend running against the general.

De Gaulle's last television speech Friday night failed to turn the tide.

Minutes after the Paris polls closed Sunday, private radio



ALAIN POHER
Temporary Replacement



C'EST NON!
DeGaulle Foes Celebrate

stations broadcast projections that he would lose. The first partial returns issued by the Interior Ministry showed the "oui" vote with a small majority, but soon the "non" ballots went ahead and stayed there.

Premier Maurice Couve de Murville was the first to concede defeat. He declared: "Beginning tomorrow, a new page in our history will be turned." He warned of "a difficult period, perhaps a period of trouble."

Shortly after he spoke, anti-

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Blossom Queen Will Be Picked Tonight

Two producers of beauty pageants and a girl known as "Miss Smile" will judge the Miss Blossomtime contest tonight at Benton Harbor high school gymnasium. Paul Schulze of Muskegon directed the Miss Michigan Pageant 16 years and has staged other beauty contests throughout Michigan. Larry Powell of South Bend is a past associate director for the Miss Indiana Pageant. Connie Mino appears through courtesy of Eastman Kodak. She won the

company's "Miss Smile" title in nationwide finals. The judges started their duties this morning by interviewing the 32 contestants. Doors will open at 6:30 tonight at the gymnasium and the contest starts at 8. Tickets can be obtained at the door.

Schulze and his wife are owners of Temple Enterprises, a public relations and promotional organization. He is producer-director of the Wonderful Theater for Children, a

Muskegon group that tours the state presenting plays.

Powell has been master of ceremonies for Miss Indiana Pageants. He is currently an adviser in industrial photography, sound and slide training programs. He had a radio show of WIMS at Michigan City for 22 years.

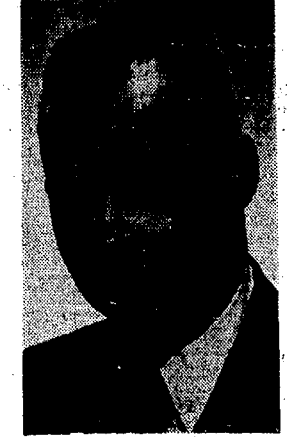
Miss Mino of Cleveland is an Ohio State student, majoring in languages. Her association with Eastman Kodak involves work with many beauty pageants.



PAUL SCHULZE



CONNIE MINO



LARRY POWELL

GIANT SHIP MAY SAIL GREAT LAKES ALL YEAR

SAULT STE. MARIE (AP) — A vessel expected to lead Great Lakes shipping into a new era is taking shape at Erie, Pa., and Pascagoula, Miss.

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iron ore, the ship is being built by Litton Industries, Inc. for Bethlehem Steel Corp. and is expected to enter service in July of next year.

With ice-breaking power and weight, she may become the first to sail the five inland seas year-around. She may force the building of new, bigger locks and herself is being put together in a unique, assembly-line fashion.

She will be 1,000 feet long—longer than three football fields end-to-end and one of the longest ships in the world. Britain's Queen Elizabeth is 1,031 feet; Japan's longest tanker 1,135 feet.

She will be 105 feet wide—more than two-thirds the width of a football field and will have only two and a half feet clearance on either side in passing

through the newest and largest Soo lock, the Poe. The Elizabeth's beam is 118 feet-7 inches; the largest tanker's 175 feet-2 inches.

The yet unnamed ship will have a cargo capacity of 51,500 tons and will dwarf by 270 feet the biggest vessels in either the U.S. or Canadian lake fleets.

Largest lakes freighters now in use are 730 feet long and 75 feet wide, with a cargo capacity of 25,500 tons.

The new ship is being built by

new construction techniques.

A 72-foot bow section, including a bridge and air-conditioned crew quarters, and a 110-foot stern section, containing the

power plant, are being built in Litton's Ingalls shipyards at Pascagoula, Miss.

Joined together as one 182-foot ship, the two sections will be

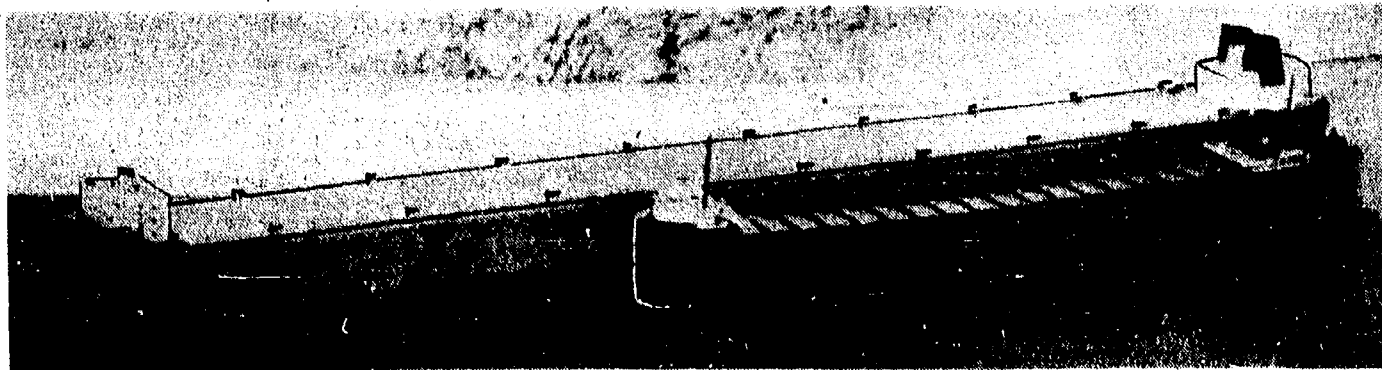
sailed up the Atlantic and down the St. Lawrence Seaway to Erie, Pa., where Litton's Erie Marine division is building the midships section that includes the cargo holds and unloading equipment.

At Erie the fore and aft sections will be cut apart and joined to the midships section, being built on what amounts to an assembly-line basis with giant, automatic welding machines.

Outer extensions of the bow and stern sections, known in the trade as well tanks, will come from Pascagoula aboard, instead of attached to the fore and aft sections. That's to keep the width to 72 feet so the miniship can get through the Welland Ca-

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Come see the new Radar oven at Baroda Hdw. 422-1122. Adv.



GIANT ORE CARRIER—NOW BEING BUILT—IS COMPARED TO PRESENT 'QUEEN' OF THE LAKES

THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

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Taxation's Creditability Gap

Although he was not the first man in high places nor will he be the last to say one thing while implying or doing another, former President Johnson inspired the well worked phrase, creditability gap.

FDR was a past master at this art of dissimulation, but Lady Luck hugged him closely.

When, for example, Roosevelt, made his famous 1940 campaign speech that U.S. military preparedness was on schedule in the words that the country had so many guns, tanks and planes in existence or "on order," nobody thought to challenge him that "on order" disguised an uncomfortable truth. The U.S. military mechanism at the time was strictly a paper tiger.

Seemingly the Axis Powers failed to catch this distinction. FDR drew and within two years from his speech, our country had the weaponry off the drawing boards and into the battle area.

Viet Nam and a few other things did not match LBJ's comments about them. This breach between promise and performance became so noticeable that Humphrey could not overcome its heritage before the vote was counted last November.

Taxation has worn a false cloak long before Christ appeared on earth and the subject being what it is, no one should expect it to be other than refractive of the truth regardless of how many millennia may come to pass.

The reason is the simple one of it being a hated thing which everyone instinctively wants to shift over to the other fellow.

From its founding until 1913 the federal government relied principally upon excise taxes and tariff duties to finance itself. The income tax adopted in that year almost immediately displaced those species of the sales tax as Uncle Sam's life stream.

The state and local governments' mainstay was the property tax until the 1930 depression came along.

The sales tax entered the arena in that period, and in the post World War II era a state income tax gained wide popularity.

However, the reader may regard this development, this shift in taxing emphasis, if nothing else, reveals the implacable logic

that taxes, whatever their name and however applied, derive from one ultimate source—income.

A good many people, honestly and also mistakenly, believe otherwise, and the politicians are more than anxious to perpetuate this misconception. Yet the hard fact remains that tax receipts from all tap points rise or fall as the people's income varies.

The acceptance of a particular tax depends on the mechanics of its application (how it is extracted from us).

The property tax suffers in esteem because it falls in a lump sum once or twice a year.

The sales tax excites the least resentment because for the most part it is disguised in the cost of the article or service the customer buys.

The income tax falls between that polarity.

The withholding method, at least until recently, has been taken in stride. The blood pressure comes up when it is time to final settlement by each April 15th or its corresponding target date for that minority operating on a fiscal year.

If our country was a fully centralized government, it is probable that the outcry against taxation would be muted.

As a single taxing authority, the government would apply whatever variety of taxes and at such rates as it could show to be necessary.

The U.S., though, has a competitive system.

Three governments, federal, state and local, scramble for tax money. If the public school system is set apart as a local responsibility in its own right, this raises the tally to four competitors.

Realistically, the count could go to five if the federal and state grant in aid system to the lesser political units is taken into account.

This is the scheme of Washington or the state capitals partially underwriting endeavors of individual local impact.

The federal income tax is high because Washington wears two hats. It must tax for purely national purposes, defense, for example, and it is forced to tax further to shovel money back home for schools, roads, welfare, etc.

Surrounded as he is by five bounty hunters, the taxpayer can be forgiven if he quarrels with his neighbor on the economic justice of who should pay how much and by what method.

Thus far the only means for displaying his resentment to a system he does not understand is to reject local millage proposals.

Our government is overweight. The only element within it retaining any of its leanness from bygone days is the city or township hall.

When, if ever, the blubber can be trimmed is one of those crystal ball questions one would not propound even at a seance.

The most available expedient seems to be the tax sharing plan which has a certain favor in the Administration.

Nixon has indicated he would press Congress to re-distribute a small portion (two per cent) has been mentioned as a maximum) of the federal income tax to the states and localities.

There are two versions for the allocation.

One would be the money itself.

The other is to cut the federal rate a few points, thereby making it easier for the states individually to impose a like amount.

The other side of the package is that Washington would reduce its federal aid by the same amount the states and localities would gain via the income tax redistribution.

The present tax burden would not go down, but since local spending usually is more frugal than the Washington or even Lansing type, getting more mileage from local spending might stall a tax increase.

Writing in a recent issue of Fortune magazine, Lawrence A. Mayer spoke of the idea as "enticing logic."

The virtue of the enticement has to be the restraint in the public itself.

Taxes can not go down if government services are rising.

It is this "play now and pay later" attitude which is responsible for taxation's creditability gap.

Robin Hood



GLANCING BACKWARDS

SMUDGE POTS STILL BURN

—1 Year Ago—
Fruit growers irrigated and some burned smudge pots as subfreezing temperatures were recorded in southwestern Michigan.

The area's low was a ground reading of 22 at Paw Paw. Grand Junction reported 26 five feet off the ground. Buds in vineyards and orchards are considered able to withstand temperatures down to 28. Virtually all strawberry growers irrigate for frost protection.

ORDINANCE MOVES TOWARD BALLOTING

—10 Years Ago—
The \$125,000 south end sewer ordinance—which missed passage in the general election last fall—will come up again June 22 at the special city election. The vote was ensured Monday night when St. Joseph Commissioners approved, on second reading, the sanitary sewer plan, and passed a companion measure setting up the procedure of voting. Both measures passed unanimously.

The plan calls for construction of a sanitary line along US-12 from Hilltop road to Hawthorne. There the line would run east, connecting to a lift station near the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad tracks.

AIR ARMADAS SWARM ACROSS FRENCH AREAS

—25 Years Ago—
Restless waves of Allied planes swarmed over invasion targets in Europe today after the RAF exploded an estimated 3,500 tons of bombs on the aircraft and radar plants of Friedrichshafen and the railroads of northern France and Belgium. The anxious Germans said they bombed masses of invasion vessels in harbors of western England and told of

great shipping concentrations in southwest Britain. American heavy and medium bombers flew over a wide area of France today, hacking at German airfields. One was 130 miles south of Paris at Avord.

BLOSSOM BALL

—35 Years Ago—
Three-hundred danced at the ball in Stevensville hall for Lincoln township entrants in the Stevensville Blossom queen contest. The affair honored the Misses Florence and Margaret Bodjack, Anna Ball, Mildred Bodjack, Anna Lowry, Marie Burns, Mamie Geipel, Olga Simovic, and Vera Catania.

MOTORCYCLE PATROL

—45 Years Ago—
In the face of certain war against reckless speeding the armament of the St. Joseph police department has been increased by purchase of a high powered motorcycle, which under the stress of the chase will do some 60 miles an hour. Junior Eagan, well known local

baseball player, has been named as the new motorcycle cop.

MILITARY COMPANY

—55 Years Ago—
A military company is in prospect for St. Joseph. It will not be organized for immediate enlistment in the Mexican campaign but rather as training recreation for young men and the adornment of St. Joseph on state occasions.

SANDBANK

—70 Years Ago—
A heavy bank of sand has accumulated during the past winter east of Plank's tavern.

Factographs

A routine document signed by George Washington is worth \$200, but his clipped-off signature may bring only \$50.

California can claim the world's largest reflecting telescope, the 200-inch instrument atop Mt. Palomar.

THE FAMILY LAWYER



Owner Vs. Postman

More often than not, the relationship between postman and home owner is a warm and friendly one. But even into this sunny climate a little rain must fall. Such as, when the postman gets hurt and sues the home owner for damages.

As a general rule, the home owner is not liable if he is not guilty of any negligence. For example:

TOO MUCH WAX

A home owner was sued by a postman who suffered a bad fall when a rotting porch suddenly caved in. But a court found no liability. The judge pointed out that, since the rot was visible only from underneath, there was no reasonable way for the home owner to have discovered the danger.

By contrast, take the following case:

A postman slipped and fell in the outer hallway of a home, because an excessive amount of wax had been applied to the floor. This time, there being negligence on the part of the home owner, the court ordered him to pay the postman's claim.

In terms of sheer frequency, the Number One hazard that the postman faces is a bite by the home owner's dog. Many thousands of on-the-job bites are suffered each year by mail carriers.

In such circumstances, the home owner is usually liable if the state has a "dog bite law." Under this law, a dog's master may be held responsible for a bite not only when he was negligent but even when he was not negligent in any way.

BIT THE POSTMAN

If the state has no dog bite law, the home owner might still be liable—but only if he was somehow to blame for the bite.

In one case, the owner of a vicious dog did take the trouble to post a "BEWARE OF DOG" sign on his front door. However, when a postman rang the bell to deliver a package, the man opened the door and permitted the dog to dash outside and bite the postman in the leg.

A court duly imposed legal liability on the householder. The judge said posting the warning sign did not end his responsibility toward those visitors who, like the postman, had a perfect right to come onto the premises.

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

Somehow an afternoon meeting of "the girls" never seems to finish without some discussion about health. One person insisted that there is a condition that is opposite of anemia in which there is too much blood. Does this make any sense?

Mrs. O. I. Tenn.

Dear Mrs. I: Let me first answer the medical aspect of your letter by saying that anemia is such a condition. It is known as polycythemia and occurs in the middle or late life, more frequently in men than in women. Actually, there is no relationship between this condition and anemia.

The cause is unknown and is the constant target of research of hematologists or specialists in blood diseases. It is rather curious that, despite this lack of knowledge, treatment has been so effective in many cases. There are a number of types, all technically different. The diagnosis is usually made by examination of the blood and by studies of the bone marrow and the spleen.

One of the methods of treatment is known as phlebotomy by which blood is removed from the patient at regular intervals, thus keeping the level in a relatively normal state. Radioactive phosphorus and other isotopes are used effectively to keep this condition under control.

The other aspect of your letter intrigues me because it highlights the fact that good health, which is normally taken for granted, is really the center for family happiness and for the total structure of the community and even the nation.

This was particularly emphasized recently when the tiny,

unimportant virus that causes the common cold was able to temporarily delay a space craft venture toward the moon. I am certain that all of you have noticed that one child with an elevated fever can upset your plans to get together. Emphasis must constantly be made on the need to respect good health and to pamper it.

Our 14-year-old daughter came home with pierced ears. This was done without our permission and later resulted in an infection. Do you believe that this should be allowed?

Mr. A. N. Pennsylvania
Dear Mr. N.: Some children defiantly and in rebellion have their ears pierced without permission knowing full well that there is nothing a parent can do to repair the hole in the ear lobe. I do not quite understand why there are no statutes to legally prevent untrained and unprofessional people from piercing the ears with or without permission.

Many of us in the practice of medicine have seen a surprising number of infections which take weeks to heal. The proper procedure is a simple one and moderate care should not result in an infection.

I truly believe that piercing the ears must be considered a procedure that needs the consent of a parent for a minor. This is absolutely required if the slightest operation is to be done by a doctor in the office or in a hospital.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Insist that all medicine containers be labeled and contents noted.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

West dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
8
♦A J 5 3
♦A J 7 4 2
♦K 3 2
WEST
♦A J 9 5 4
♦Q 6 4
♦Q 10 8 3
♦Q
EAST
♦Q 7 2
♦K 10 8 7
♦5
♦10 8 7 6 4
SOUTH
♦K 10 8 3
♦6 2
♦K 9 6
♦A J 9 5

The bidding:
West 1♣ North 1♦ East 1♠ South 2NT
Pass 3NT

Opening lead — five of spades.

This deal occurred in the match between Venezuela and North American in the 1967 world championship.

At the first table, David Berah, of Venezuela, a strong advocate of the weak opening bid, commenced hostilities with one spade. Kehela doubled, and, after Rossignol had passed, Murray responded two notrump. Kehela raised to three and Berah led a spade.

Since both minor suits were divided favorably, Murray had no trouble producing nine tricks for what appeared to be a normal result.

However, at the second table,

the play took a spectacular turn and the American-East-West pair, Roth and Root, defeated three notrump. The bidding went:

West 1♣ North 1♦ East 1♠ South 1♠
Pass 2♦ Pass 3♠
Pass 3NT

Here North became declarer and East (Roth) was on lead. Spurning the more normal heart lead, Roth decided to attack spades, where he thought declarer would be weak. Not only that, but Roth made the highly unorthodox lead of the queen instead of the deuce.

No truer arrow was ever shot. Declarer didn't know it, but his cause was irretrievably lost. He thought Roth had the jack to back up the queen, and he therefore ducked in dummy.

Roth continued with the seven, the ten losing surprisingly (from North's viewpoint) to the jack. When Root shifted to a low heart, declarer confidently followed low, quite naturally assuming that east would not have another spade to lead.

But Roth won the heart with the ten and produced yet another spade — the deuce — which he theoretically couldn't have. So Roth was able to cash three more spade tricks and the unfortunate Venezuelan declarer finished down three for minus 300. The North American team thus gained 900 points on the deal.

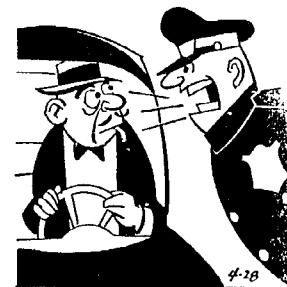
BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

A inveterate bettor on the horses was speeding on a Long Island highway at over seventy miles an hour when an angry motorcycle cop caught up with him.

"You gotta let me go," panted the bettor. "I'm sick." "A likely story," jeered the cop. "You're headed straight for Belmont Race Track." "So true," mourned the bettor. "That's my sickness."

There are a few great stars on the Broadway stage whose magical qualities get through to an audience seemingly without effort. Helen Hayes cited a graphic example of this power. She was touring in Pirandello's "Right You Are If You Think You're A Fool." At every performance, a very minor character, a woman swathed in widow's weeds, stood unidentified in the background of a pivotal scene. After a few lines, she exited. Miss Hayes had seen several excellent young actresses play this part with no audience reaction whatever. One night, however, when the actress playing the role for that performance left the stage, the audience burst into spontaneous applause, though she had not changed a bit of business, or added one line to the part.



Miss Hayes learned later that that superb actress, Rosemary Harris, had, as a whim, played the role that night. The audience sensed star quality instinctively.

Short-haired girl to long-haired lad: "Of course daddy doesn't mind our being alone together every night. He thinks you're a girl!"

Factographs

Saudi Arabia is larger than Alaska, with 617,760 square miles.

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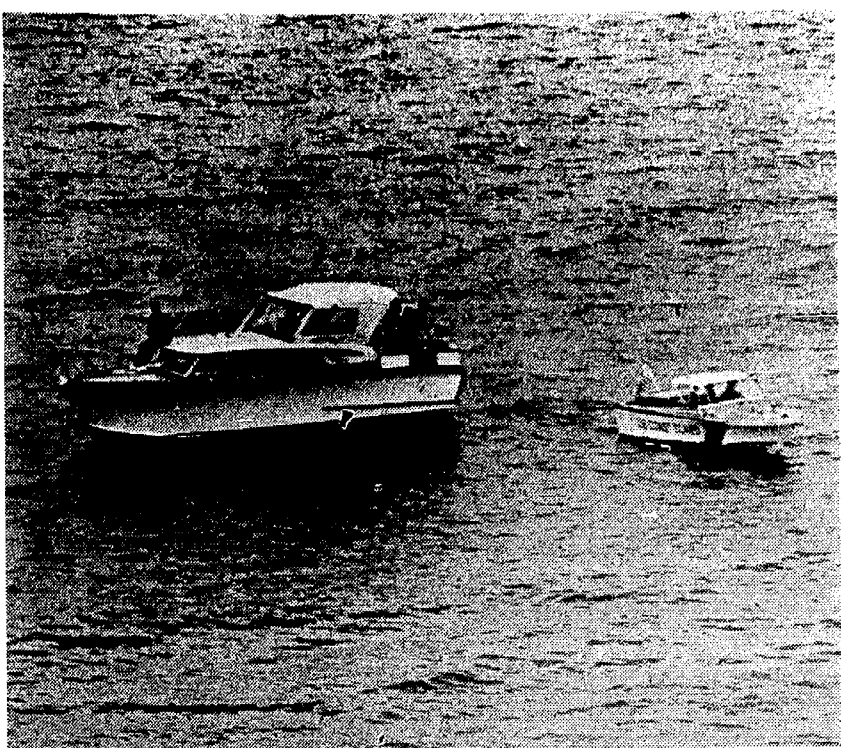
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BLACKS FORM GROUP TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS



COAST GUARD TO RESCUE: A 17-foot U.S. Coast Guard boat from the St. Joseph station hovers off Lake Shore drive, St. Joseph, for arrival of 44-foot boat to tow in stranded cabin cruiser. The 30-foot boat owned by Charles Perry, Wyoming, Mich., started to drift toward shore yesterday when the boat ran out of gas and a Lake Shore resident called the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard towed the cruiser in to the station. The cruiser with its seven passengers, refueled and departed.

Will Tell What's Happening

McFadden Lists Programs That Help Hundreds

By TOM BRUNDRETT
Staff Writer

Black leaders in the Benton Harbor area have moved to bring independent black-led organizations together to at least discuss issues before independent moves are undertaken.

Gene McFadden, director of community education for the Benton Harbor schools district, said the effort was the result of a meeting of about 100 black leaders from government, civic, business and organization areas.

The move, said McFadden, is not a coalition effort. But he said it would bring various groups to one place to discuss facts and gather information.

WILL ORGANIZE

McFadden said the leaders agreed to organize a formal group to act as a sounding board for the organizations. They expressed concern, he said, over decisions being made by the independent groups and allegations that nothing is being done to ease racial discrimination.

The meeting of the leaders was held just after the Benton Harbor unit of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) announced plans for a boycott of area stores, SCLC leaders labelled as "tokenism" certain projects now being carried out.

Among those attending were Sammie Rodgers, Mrs. Mary DeFoe, Dr. Basset Brown, Benjamin Davis, Cal Wheeler, Dr. Harzel Taylor, Kathleen Joiner, Sammie Smith, Mrs. Annabelle Bankston, William Gray and George Shurn.

Maurice Bishop, chairman of the Benton Harbor SCLC, and Billy Hollins, an SCLC official from Atlanta, Ga., were also present.

The Benton Harbor SCLC has been picketing the junior high school to press demands that a 13-year-old girl be re-instated and that a black principal be hired.

McFadden said the leaders believed moves by groups such as the SCLC or NAACP or agencies such as the community school program should be spelled out before the actions are undertaken.

This way, said McFadden, the leaders would know what is at issue and could supply information so a decision could be made.

DECISIONS AFFECT ALL

Right now, said McFadden, a lot of decisions are being made by a few which affect the black community as well as the entire community. The affect could be widespread, the spokesman indicated.

"Hopefully," said McFadden, "this (new committee) is going to be a continuing board to give direction to actions going on. We felt that on the big decisions being made by individuals affecting the entire community, we should be involved."

McFadden said the group appointed a committee to investigate the situation at Benton Harbor junior high school and make recommendations. The official said schools superintendent Dr. Mark Lewis has already said a black principal would be hired if possible.

People who say nothing is being done, said McFadden, either just don't know what is going on or are blind to it.

For example, McFadden cited 16 different programs which are being carried out and so far have helped hundreds of persons. Included were the Halfway House project, the employment service in Bard school; a \$105,000 day care center; 84 students in college on full scholarships; 614 persons earning the high school diploma through the General Education Development (GED) test; and a program designed to help people keep jobs.

"Right now we are in a better position than I have ever seen," McFadden stated.

SJ Grass Fire Extinguished

St. Joseph fire fighters extinguished a brush fire in a field behind 908 Mohawk street, St. Joseph, between 1:52 and 2:15 p.m. Saturday using a water line off their fire truck.



TRAILER COMES LOOSE: St. Joseph Patrolman William Beaudette carries uninjured eight-month-old girl from car while mother, Mrs. Viola Viscuso, 28, of route 3, Coloma, leans on husband, Henry, 30. Mrs. Viscuso and two children, Karen, 4, and Debra, 5, received minor injuries when a trailer came loose from an approaching car and careened

into the Viscuso car on the Blossomland bridge, St. Joseph, Sunday afternoon. Other occupants of the Viscuso car, Linda, 6, and Cathy, eight months, were uninjured. Driver of the other vehicle Richard G. Wells, 46, of Muskegon, was issued a summons for a defective trailer hitch and no operator's license on person. (Staff photo)

BH, St. Joseph Bands Win Top State Honors

Symphony bands from Benton Harbor and St. Joseph high schools won first division ratings Saturday in

Mitchell Surprised At Gripes

Warren P. Mitchell, chairman of the Citizen's Steering Council (CSC) of the Model Cities program, said Saturday that he was surprised at criticism leveled at him by some council members.

He said most of the problem however would be ironed out once the council adopts bylaws. The council is the organization charged with developing the plan for improving the 1,236-acre Model Cities neighborhood in Benton Harbor and Benton township.

'TOO MUCH AUTHORITY'

Council secretary Gwendolyn Baird with support of other council members Thursday night contended Mitchell was assuming too much authority. The criticism came during a regular council session where Mitchell was absent. The chairman was attending Model Cities conference in Chicago.

Miss Baird labelled as "very poor" the parliamentary procedure used by Mitchell and she said too much was being done because Mitchell alone wanted it.

The secretary also blamed the lack of prepared minutes for the meeting on Mitchell's unavailability in between meetings.

Mitchell said, "We are a new program and are just getting started. I want them (council members) to speak out. I expect some criticism."

RULES UNDER STUDY

The bylaws committee, headed by council member Mrs. Ellis Marshburn, has just started to work out the procedural rules, said Mitchell. "I think we can eventually iron out our differences."

Mitchell who attended the Chicago conference with program administrator Benjamin Davis, said he had learned that re-imbursements for council members could be made retroactive.

The retroactive question had delayed a council on a committee recommendation under which members would be re-imbursement expenses lost income, and mileage. The council will meet Thursday night to vote on the recommendation.

Traffic Deaths

By Associated Press
April 28 State Police count
This year 583
Last year 576

the State Band Festival competitions in Lansing.

Benton Harbor competed in the Class AA field. St. Joseph competed in the Class A.

"I was most pleased with the band's performance," said Benton Harbor director Bernhardt Kuschel. "The members did an excellent job."

St. Joseph director Robert W. Brown said, "It is a complement to this area that both bands won first division ratings. The standards at the state are higher than at district level and I was quite pleased with the way the St. Joseph band did."

Benton Harbor appeared in competition at Lansing's Sexton high school. It played three prepared numbers and one number submitted by the judges. Twenty-five bands from the Class AA took part.

A motorcade, led by high school principal Lionel Stacey and Mayor Wilbert F. Smith, welcomed the 100-member band as it left 1-94 to go back to the high school here. A reception

was held in the band room for members and parents.

St. Joseph's 102-member band appeared in Lansing's Waverly high school. They also played three prepared selections and one selection submitted by the judges.

An awards banquet for the St. Joseph band and orchestra is scheduled for May 24.

Kindergarten Roundup Set In Fairplain

The annual kindergarten roundup, at Fairplain East and Northeast schools will be held Friday, May 2, Principal Leonard Cassidy announced.

Hours are 9-11:30 a.m. at East; 1-3 p.m., at Northeast.

Children must be five years old by Dec. 1, 1969 to attend school next fall. Parents should bring children's birth certificates and immunization records to the roundup. They are asked not to bring children.

TUESDAY EVENING

Chamber Meets With Two City Commissions

The Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce, will host Benton Harbor and St. Joseph officials Tuesday, May 6, for a discussion of local government.

The chamber has invited the city commissions to a 6 p.m. meeting at Howard Johnson's.

David Upton, the chamber's vice president of governmental affairs, said: "This meeting will give chamber members the opportunity to become better acquainted with the functions of Twin Cities government."

The guest list includes Mayors W.H. Ehrenberg and Wilbert Smith; Commissioners Warren Gast, Richard J. Globensky, Franklin H. Smith and C.A. Tobias, St. Joseph; Charles Gray, F. Joseph Flaugh, Ralph Lhotka, T. Gregory Longpre, Virgil May, Edward Merrill, John Stancik, Jr., and Rex Sheeley, Benton Harbor.

Are You Keeping Up With World's News?

How well do you remember the names and events that have made recent news? Some names pop into headlines over night. Others are consistent newsmakers.

To test your memory take the weekly News Quiz that appears today on page 19. It's a quick and entertaining way to determine if you are keeping abreast

of current events.

The quiz is part of the visual education program of this newspaper presented with the cooperation of Brown's Pharmacy of Benton Heights and Twin City Embroidery of Benton Harbor. News film strips also are provided to area schools under the program.

BH Charter Revision Proposal Gathers Dust

A proposal to revamp Benton Harbor's city charter to help meet growing city needs so far had stirred little or no action.

The proposal was made in March by city manager Don Stewart when he presented a \$3.3 million deficit budget for operating the city in 1969-70. He recommended the city undertake the revision alone or in "concert with its suburban neighbors."

Stewart said the present charter has become a "hodgepodge of confusion" because of changes by federal and state laws. He indicated the revision could provide added means for meeting money needs.

The proposed 1969-70 budget, to be acted upon May 5 by the commission, had a \$283,098 deficit between income and general project expenses when submitted.

Mayor Wilbert F. Smith said the commission as yet has not considered the recommendation. But he said he expected some review to be made.

PROPOSED EARLIER

The mayor said the possibility of revising the city charter had been proposed two years ago also and he said he had done some checking with other cities then.

At that time, Smith said, the officials believed it would be better to amend the present charter.

The reason the officials gave, according to Smith, was that the amendment route avoided the possibility of getting a proposed new charter which would completely change the city's governmental structure.

A charter revision commission could be formed

which would not be familiar or agree with the present city structure, the mayor said.

"I feel we have the best form of government now," said Smith. "I would not want to see it replaced by a completely new form."

PRESENT OPERATION

The city elects its mayor at large, four ward commissioners and four commissioners-at-large under the present charter. A city manager is responsible for the day-to-day operations. It can levy 10 mills (or \$10 for each \$1,000 of taxable property value) for general operating purposes as well as certain other taxes for specific reasons.

Smith said he had not been in contact with supervisors in the neighboring townships about a possible

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Barbershop Window Smashed

A plate glass window at the St. Joseph barbershop of Maurice Bishop, chairman of Benton Harbor unit of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), was smashed by a brick early Sunday.

St. Joseph police said the barbershop is located at 914 Main street. Bishop resides in Benton Harbor.

Police said a girl babysitting in the apartment above the shop heard the glass shatter about 3:42 a.m. Penny Vanderbeck, 16, of 542 Winchester avenue, St. Joseph, told officers she heard someone running away from the building after the 8 by 4.9 foot window was broken. But she said she saw no one.

Det. William Mihalik said several leads were being followed in the case, but he said nothing definite had yet been developed.

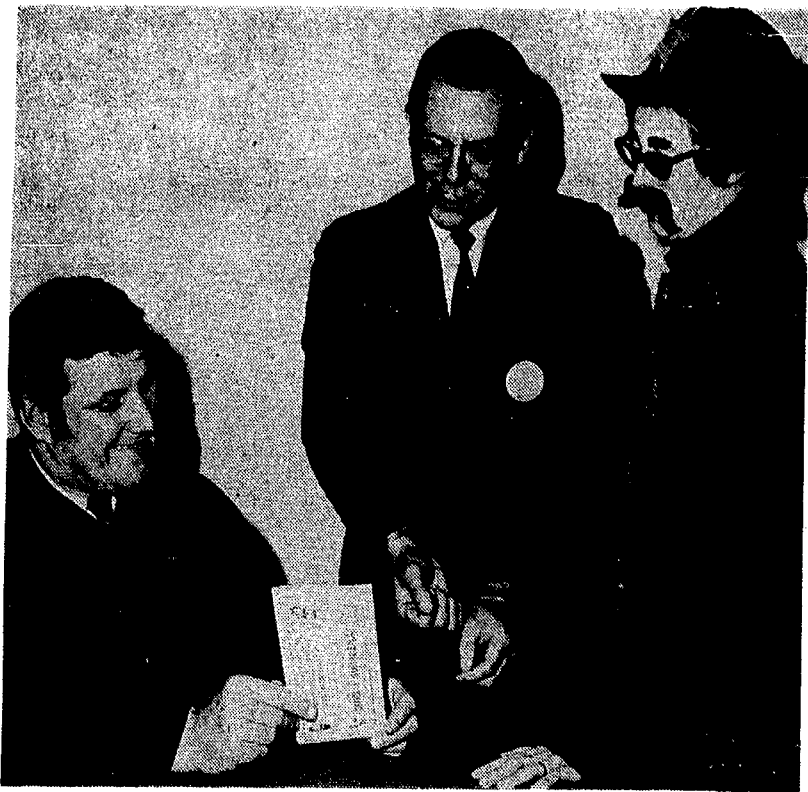


ST. JOSEPH MUSIC AWARDS: Sixteen scholarships to summer music school were awarded at the second night of the annual St. Joseph musical festival Saturday. Excellence in musicianship was recognized by scholarships presented to, from left, top row, Dave Smith, Becky White, Mary Briggs, Jeff Petrosky, Scott Taylor, Mark Benn, Peter Tolhuizen; second row, Debby Bern, Edie Khan, Linda Marquardt, Ron Lindahl, Sally Goodwin, Lynne Czarniecki; front row, Holly Ernst, Mike Glines, and John Linabury. Saturday's performing groups were the junior high school singers, junior high

school orchestra, the high school choir, and the Junior high school "A" band. Twenty-one scholarships were awarded Friday night to members of the elementary chorus, junior high school "B" band, the high school symphony orchestra, the high school chorus, and the high school symphonic band. Conductors included Larry Ernst, Gordon Formisna, Robert W. Brown, Dennis L. Bowen, William Tower, and Frederick Erbach, all of the St. Joseph public schools music department. (Pete Mitchell photo)

ST. JOSEPH, MICH., MONDAY, APRIL 28, 1969

TENTATIVE BERRIEN BUDGET UP \$1 MILLION



SENATOR IN 'COURT': U.S. Senator Robert Griffin appears before Judge Donald Goodwillie, Jr., in South Haven "kangaroo court" Saturday during his appearance for Van Buren County Republican dinner. Mary Johnson, one of four women Keystone Cops, put Griffin in handcuffs and took him to court for not having a South Haven centennial shaving permit. He pleaded "very guilty" to the charge and was sentenced by the judge to visit South Haven during the July centennial celebration and to buy a shaving permit. (Staff photo)

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Griffin Tells Woes Of Nixon Administration

SOUTH HAVEN — Senator Robert Griffin, speaking at the annual Van Buren County Republican Lincoln Day banquet in South Haven Saturday evening, defended recent stands of the Nixon administration. He discussed many of the problems facing the administration, including the proposed anti-ballistic missile system, welfare taxes and the war against crime.

Griffin said that the Nixon administration faces a challenge simply in dealing with a Congress which has a majority of Democrats. He said that though the American people think the President is in control, that he is far from being in absolute power. He first pointed out that both the House of Representatives and the Senate are controlled by the Democrats, who he said are eager to pounce on excuses to investigate the executive branch of the government and to stall or block important legislation because it is proposed by Republicans.

THE UNTOUCHABLES

He also added that there are more than three million civilian employees in the executive branch of federal government and that with luck, President Nixon will be able to replace only about 66 hundredths of one per cent of these employees. He added that every appointment made by Nixon must be confirmed by the Democratic Senate.

He also pointed out that President Nixon could not control the work of many of the regulatory agencies set up by Congress. He used the Civil Aeronautics Board and the National Labor Relations Board as examples of federal agencies over which the President has almost no control.

He said that the president must contend with the problem of several Pacific air routes which were granted to major airlines by President Johnson just before he left office and with the fact that he can not appoint any new members to the CAB until 1972.

Nixon rescinded the airline routes soon after he took office and the three Democratic members of CAB has been angry over this move since then, Griffin said.

He also stated that he felt the NLRB was "thumbing their noses" at the people who wrote the laws which brought the board into existence.

NIXON LOSING FACE

Griffin declared several recent decisions of the Supreme Court are causing the Nixon administration to lose face with some of the American people. He said the court's recent decision regarding the rights of junior high school students to demonstrate against the administration of their schools, was only one of a series of Supreme Court decisions which seem to be turning our country upside down.

Earlier, while talking to members of the press before the dinner, Griffin had also criticized the court's ruling earlier this week on residence requirements for persons on welfare. He said some residence requirement was necessary to properly administer any welfare program. He said the court's action was part of mounting pressure to get Congress to take over the welfare programs of the states. He said he feels this is wrong.

During a press conference, Senator Griffin said he thinks the U.S. Supreme Court is hurting both police forces and general public, by letting criminals go free because of legal technicalities. He felt that this shows something basically wrong with the court system, but he added that he doesn't know what can be done to correct the problems.

TAX REFORM POSSIBLE

Griffin predicted that despite the Democratic majority in both the House and Senate, President Nixon's tax reform bill has a very good chance of being enacted. He said that he feels both houses of Congress know that something has to be done about taxes and that everyone on Capitol Hill is glad

to see a president who offers something more than a "promise" of tax reduction.

He also added that President Nixon's proposed anti-ballistic missile system will be passed eventually.

Senator Griffin was introduced to the almost capacity crowd at Fiddler's Mai Kai Lounge, by U.S. Representative Edward Hutchinson, R-Fennville. The pledge of allegiance was led by Van Buren County Republican party vice-chairman, Mick Middaugh. The invocation was given by the Rev. Mrs. A.E. Grice of Covert and the welcome and introduction of guests by Katherine Willis, chairman of the county Republican party.

Other guests at the dinner included: William McLaughlin, chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, State Representative James Farnsworth of Plainwell, State Representative, Edson V. Root of Bangor, State Senator Charles Zollar of Benton Harbor, State Senator Gary Byker of Holland, and Meyer Warshawsky of South Haven, a member of Michigan Employment Security Appeals Board.

Also present were the 13 Republican members of the Van Buren county board of supervisors and all of the Republican county officers and several city and village officers.

Ditch Caves In; Father Of 5 Dies

Jack Hunsberger Of Bloomingdale Was Laying Tile

BLOOMINGDALE — Jack D. Hunsberger, 37, father of five children, was killed Saturday afternoon when the sides of a trench he was digging near his Bloomingdale township home collapsed on him.

Van Buren county sheriff's deputies said Hunsberger had dug the trench to a depth of about ten feet when the sides caved in. Bloomingdale firemen worked about 45 minutes to free him from the trench. He was pronounced dead of suffocation at the scene by Dr. R.I. McFadden, deputy county medical examiner.

Deputies said Hunsberger was digging the trench to lay drainage tile in the side yard of his home on County Road 390 north of Bloomingdale.

Mr. Hunsberger was born July 10, 1931, in Waverly township, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Hunsberger.

Survivors include his widow, Pearl; five children, Yvonne, Jack Jr., Bonnie, Tina and John, all at home, his mother, Mrs. Lillian Hunsberger of Bloomingdale; three brothers, Robert and Ronald of Bloomingdale and Thomas of Allegan; and three sisters, Mrs. Izola Myers and Mrs. Joan Johnson of Grand Junction and Mrs. Patricia Page of Gobles.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Bloomingdale Christian church with the Rev. Paul Snuffer officiating.

Burial will follow in Lindsley cemetery.

Friends may call at the Bloomingdale chapel of the Robbins funeral home until noon on Tuesday.

Dinner Set By State Employees

Local Chapter 39 of the Michigan State Employees association (M.S.E.A.) will hold its annual dinner meeting Thursday, May 8, at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, junction of I-94 and M-139 Benton township, according to Gene Robinson, public relations chairman of the local chapter.

John O'Conner, representative of the State Civil Service department will speak on the topic "Strikes, Promotional Exams, and Racism."

Roger Robinson, acting chairman of the state membership committee for M.S.E.A., will also be on hand to discuss the association's 25,000 membership drive.

Reservations can be made by calling Miss Lena Genovese at 983-7131 or Mrs. Lagretta Perry at 925-1941. Tickets will be \$2 per member and \$4 each for additional tickets.



BIKE SAFETY LESSON: City Patrolman and juvenile officer Frank Antonsen, State Trooper L.J. McDevitt and Gerald Sherman of Kiwanis club give instructions to a contestant before she starts through obstacle course at South Haven bicycle safety rodeo Saturday. Between 80 and 100 youngsters participated in rodeo and received safety tips in bicycle operation through a film shown by McDevitt. (Dorothea Logan photo)

Dowagiac Strike Off But Recall Still On

DOWAGIAC —Members of the Dowagiac Education Association Saturday afternoon ratified a new contract with the Dowagiac board of education. Whirl classes resumed today after a five-day strike by teachers, a campaign to recall four members of the school board continued.

Ray Staples, president of the DEA, last night announced the terms of the new 17-month contract from April 1, 1969, to June 30, 1971. Staples said the new contract contains all the provisions of the old contract with three changes. These include an increase in salaries and in the insurance plan.

PAY RAISES

Beginning on July 1, salaries will be raised from \$6,400 for a beginning teacher with a bachelor's degree and a high of \$9,472 after 13 years to a starting salary of \$6,900 and a high of \$10,212. The increase for a teacher with a master's degree will range from \$7,300 to \$11,096 after 14 years. A teacher with a master's degree was receiving \$6,800 to \$10,336. The insurance payment plan will increase from \$10.72 per month to \$15.

The vote to ratify the contract was 130 years to 0 no. Contract agreement was reached after the teachers went on strike for five days on April 21. They had worked since March 21 without a contract. The contract agreement was worked out in a session called by the State Labor Mediation board in Grand Rapids on Friday.

Settlement of the teacher strike, however, has not ended a movement by a group of citizens to recall four members of the Dowagiac board of education. The recall drive is headed by Lester True, a service station operator, who said today, "The school district problems are not solved and our group of citizens got together after the teachers agreed to go back to work and we decided

not to stop our campaign." True said there are about 20 persons circulating petitions and about 500 signatures have already been acquired out of the 1,026 needed to place the issue on the ballot. The group is seeking to recall board members Dale Warsco, Paul McDonald, John Scherer and Carl Benedix.

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Department Chiefs Turn In Requests

Supervisors Are Prepared To Pare 'Fat'

By BRANDON BROWN Staff Writer

Berrien supervisors today unveiled the annual "wish book" — the 1970 tentative county budget — showing county department chiefs want \$7.5 million, or \$1 million more than in 1969, to run the county for the coming year.

Supervisors now have almost six months to trim the largest tentative budget in history back to a more realistic figure. Finance Committee Chairman Lad Stacey said his unit will "really get down to the nitty-gritty and with sharp pencils" as department chiefs are called to hearings starting in September.

The result of supervisor cost-slashing will be known in October when they adopt a final budget.

The tentative budget shows \$7.5 million in expenses (more than \$1 million ABOVE 1969) and receipts of \$2.8 million (almost \$1 million BELOW 1969), leaving \$4.7 million to be raised in county taxes (\$2 million more than 1969).

The budget, Stacey said, is the result of a conservative estimate of revenues and an extremely liberal estimate of expenses.

The tentative \$4.7 million in county taxes would require about 7.9 mills. County government usually gets 4.83 mills from the 15-mill "pie" and this would produce almost \$2.9 million, if continued, according to Berrien Tax Equalization Director Charles Knapp.

COUNTY ALLOCATION

Supervisors have little hope for more than 4.83 mills in 1970 — schools account for most of the rest of the 15 mills — but one insider hopes to snag another quarter mill for the county because "we are the lowest county in the whole darn state" in county government share of millage.

A quick look at departments and separately itemized categories in the tentative budget shows:

Expenses — 40 up, 12 same and 3 down.

Revenue — 3 up, 4 same and 27 down from 1969.

Comparing with 1969 is a little unfair because these revenues and expenses likely won't jibe with reality at the end of this year.

COURT REVENUES

Stacey noted, for example, that Fifth District court was budgeted in 1969 to produce \$359,700 and exactly match expenses, but it "looks like they're going to bring in only \$150,000 this year." The 1970 tentative revenue is \$200,000.

Supervisors will take a hard look at tentatively budgeted increases in department head salaries — such as \$25,000 for Prosecutor Ronald Taylor (up \$11,100) and \$26,000 for Probate Judge Ronald Lange (up \$6,500) — while perhaps easing more leniently the increases for courthouse and sheriff's staff, Stacey indicated.

The 21-member board of supervisors, meanwhile, has tentatively allocated for itself \$95,000 in per diem pay (\$35,000 in 1969 for 49 supervisors).

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Some highlights in tentative 1970 expenses:

Child care, \$556,200 (was \$451,400 in 1969); health, \$678,720 (was \$617,905); Social Services, \$1,309,000 (was \$1,211,700); agricultural extension office, \$40,300 (\$37,300); animal shelter (dog pound), \$69,800 (\$67,100); circuit court, \$224,800 (\$221,500); circuit court reporters, \$56,100 (\$48,800).

Civil defense, \$17,200 (\$32,200); county clerk's office, \$137,000 (\$118,300); drain commissioner, \$34,900 (\$31,900); Fifth District court, \$406,500 (\$359,700); tax equalization office, \$63,200 (\$58,700); Friend of the Court, (\$50,500); Juvenile court, \$202,400 (\$120,800); parks and recreation, \$104,000 (\$4,000); planning commission, \$38,900 (\$23,800); probate court, \$101,800 (\$81,100).

Prosecutor's office, \$173,500 (\$131,700); public works, \$15,000 (\$15,000); register of deeds, \$50,000 (\$53,200); sheriff's office and patrol, \$503,200 (\$361,700); sheriff's cars, \$73,900 (\$57,800); sheriff's radios \$9,500 (\$47,000); board of supervisors, \$1,096,500 (\$968,500); treasurer, \$80,100 (\$51,700); and veteran's counselor, \$19,100 (\$18,200).

Paw Paw PTA Units To Hold Joint Session

PAW PAW —The Parent-Teacher Associations of the Paw Paw school district will hold a joint meeting Wednesday in the cafeteria of the high school to discuss the proposed merger of the Paw Paw and Lawton school districts.

Albert Kimmel, superintendent of the Paw Paw schools will lead the discussion on the proposed merger. The meeting is open to the public and will begin with a coffee hour at 7:30 p.m. with the discussion to follow at 8 p.m.

Voters of the two school districts will vote May 20 on the merger proposal.



FOLK FESTIVAL: A capacity crowd filled the Paw Paw high school gymnasium Sunday afternoon to watch the Van Buren County Folk Dancers' annual folk festival. The 52 dancers performed about 20 dances from all over the world during the afternoon of entertainment. All proceeds from the festival will go to the operation and building program of the Van Buren County Youth Camp at Bloomingdale. (Staff Photo)

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